

Docket No.: 060188-0962

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**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**RESPONSE UNDER 37CFR 1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
Ryusuke HORIBE, et al. : Confirmation Number: 2223  
Application No.: 10/510,988 : Group Art Unit: 2627  
Filed: October 13, 2004 : Examiner: Minerva Rivero  
  
For: SIGNAL PROCESSING DEVICE AND SIGNAL PROCESSING METHOD

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 14, 2006, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 14, 2006, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.